

QUEST: Analysis Column

Over the past week or so, you have had class time to research your charity for the QUEST project. During this time, you should have worked diligently to fill in the first two columns of your QUEST chart, answering the questions provided for you. At this point, you should have multiple sources and a wealth of researched information. Now it is time to make some sense of that information. Let's take a closer look at what you should have already:

Questions to Research	Source in MLA Format	Evidence	Analysis
1a. Who is this organization?	"A Chance at Life." <i>UNICEF</i> . N.p., n.d. Web. 11 Feb. 2013.	"UNICEF is the driving force that helps build a world where the rights of every child are realized. We have the global authority to influence decision-makers, and the variety of partners at grassroots level to turn the most innovative ideas into reality. That makes us unique among world organizations, and unique among those working with the young."	



You should have multiple sources of information for your project. You need a minimum of TWO separate websites and TWO articles from the library databases in total for your group.

You should have answers for the posted questions. These may be in your own words or in the exact words from your source. If you have your source's words, make sure to use quotation marks.

The last step on this organization chart is the Analysis column. To begin working on this column, you need to formulate a THESIS STATEMENT about your charity. A THESIS STATEMENT is a direct address from you to your audience about what you are trying to prove in your paper. (It is the ELA version of a hypothesis.) This is completely your opinion on the information you have for your charity and it is the BACKBONE of your argument.

So, what ARE you trying to prove about your charity? Is it good? Is it bad? Is it necessary? Take a look at your research with your partner and together decide what you would like to prove to your audience about your charity. [You may access the school's resource page on THESIS STATEMENTS here for additional help.](#)

EXAMPLES: One Love Africa is the type of fraudulent charity that causes investors to be weary.
Free Rice is a charity that gives back to its donators as much as it takes.

YOUR THESIS STATEMENT:

Once you have your THESIS STATEMENT, you are ready to work on your Analysis column. This column is the LINK (in MEL-Con lingo) for your EVIDENCE; that is, this column is where you show how your research supports your THESIS STATEMENT. This is to be in your own words and should be your opinion on how your support links to your overall argument. If done correctly, you will have all of the E's and L's you need for your body MEL-Con paragraphs.